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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Currently I have the option to choose Sonic (sonic.net), which uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential internet and phone service marketplace.

I like Sonic because their pricing is better than some of the major carriers that provide internet here.

UST elecom has petitioned the FCC to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. Within their petition they claimed, "In the residential marketplace, competition will not be materially affected by forbearance from Section 251(c)(3) because there is effectively no remaining UNE-based competition in that marketplace."

That claim is disputed by Sonic, other carriers, and a full economic study.

I strongly urge you to reject this petition. Please do not cut off competitive access and limit my ability to choose competitive providers like Sonic.

We depend on the FCC to assure access to vital services and this is one of them.

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